18 But I °have all, and abound: I °am full, having received °of Epaphroditus the things *which were sent* °from you, an °odour of a °sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, °well-pleasing to [6] God.

L[3] **19** But my [6] God shall °supply all your need °according to His riches [1] in glory °by [7] Christ Jesus.

M[3] **20** Now [5] unto [6] God and our °Father *be* glory °for ever and ever. Amen.

A **21** Salute every °saint [1] in [7] Christ Jesus. The brethren which are °with me °greet you.
22 All the [21] saints salute you, °chiefly they that are °of Cæsar's °household.
23 The °grace of our [5] Lord °Jesus Christ *be* [3] °with °you all. °Amen.

18 have. Gr. *apechō*. See Matt. 6. 2.
am full = have been filled. Ap. 125. 7.
of. Ap. 104. xii. 1.
from. Same as "of", above.
odour. Gr. *osmē*. See 2 Cor. 2. 14.
sweet smell. Gr. *euōdia*. See 2 Cor. 2. 15.
wellpleasing. Gr. *euarestos*. See Rom. 12. 1.
19 supply. Ap. 125. 7, as in *v.* 18.
according to. Ap. 104. x. 2. by = in (Gr. *en*).
20 Father. Ap. 98. III.
for ever and ever. Ap. 151. II. A. ii. 9. a.
21 saint. See Acts 9. 13.
with. Ap. 104. xvi. greet = salute.
22 chiefly = specially. of. Ap. 104. vii.
household. Lit. house. Gr. *oikia*.
23 grace. Ap. 184. I. 1.
Jesus Christ. Ap. 98. XI.
you all. All the texts read "your spirit". Ap. 101. II. 9, as in Gal. 6. 18.
Amen. Most texts omit.

THE EPISTLE TO THE COLOSSIANS.

THE STRUCTURE AS A WHOLE.

(*Introversion.*)

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INTRODUCTORY NOTES.

1. Doctrine has more place than practice in the Epistle to the Colossians. There is a marked resemblance between it and the letter to the Ephesians, a prominent element of both, as well as of Philippians, being the apostle's insistence upon the reality of our union with Christ, as having died and risen again in Him, and the necessity for "holding fast the Head" (2. 19).

2. SUBJECT. Colossians, like Galatians, proclaims our freedom from the "elements", or "rudiments", of the world. What those elements are, is sufficiently explained by the term "ceremonialism", the rites and ceremonies of religion as distinct from Christianity. Hence Paul's earnest admonition against a return to such, Jewish or other, inasmuch as this is to deny our completeness and perfection in Christ. Practically, it is to say that He is not sufficient, that something more is needed to be added to Him, some ordinance is wanted to make us quite complete. But, as the apostle unfolds to us, we died with Christ, and, consequently, ordinances are of no use to dead persons. In this Epistle all practical holiness is shown to spring from the holding of true doctrine, i. e. our life is the outcome of our belief. Then, our standing being complete and perfect in Christ, we cannot *grow* in this *standing*, but we may grow in the knowledge, experience, and enjoyment of it.

3. The statement in 2. 1 indicates that, at the time of writing the Epistle, Paul had not yet visited Colossæ, although commentators are divided on this point. Some believe that the apostle could not have missed out the city in one or other of his missionary journeys, although no mention is made in Acts. Others, referring to 1. 7, hold that Epaphras had been Paul's deputy to bear the good news to his fellow-citizens, for he was a Colossian (4. 12).

4. DATE. The Epistle was written towards the end of the apostle's first imprisonment in Rome, about A.D. 62 (Ap. 180).

5. The Phrygian CITY of Colossæ was only a few miles from Laodicea, the importance of which gradually increased as the other city declined. Both so entirely disappeared that only in recent times were the sites discovered, and various ruins traced, by modern explorers.

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE

TO THE

COLOSSIANS.

A **1** PAUL, an apostle of ° Jesus Christ ° by the ° will of ° God, and Timotheus *our* brother,
2 To the ° saints and ° faithful brethren ° in ° Christ which are ° at Colosse: ° Grace *be* ° unto you, and peace, ° from [1] God our ° Father ° and the Lord Jesus Christ.

B 3 We ° give thanks to [1] God ° and ° the [2] Father of our ° Lord ℘ Jesus Christ, ° praying always ° for you,
4 ° Since we heard of your ° faith [2] in ° Christ Jesus, and of the ° love *which ye have* ° to all the [2] saints,
5 ° For the hope which is ° laid up for you [2] in ° heaven, whereof ye ° heard before [2] in the ° word of the truth of the ° gospel;
6 Which ° is come ° unto you, as *it is* [2] in all the ° world; and ° bringeth forth fruit, as *it doth* ° also [2] in you, ° since the day ye heard *of it*, and ° knew the [2] grace of [1] God [2] in truth:
7 As ye ° also learned ° of ° Epaphras our ° dear ° fellowservant, who is ° for you a [2] faithful ° minister of [2] Christ;
8 Who ° also ° declared [2] unto us your [4] love [2] in the ° spirit.

C A^1 9 ° For this cause we also, [6] since the day we heard *it*, do ° not cease to [3] pray [7] for you, and to ° desire ° that ye might be ° filled with the ° knowledge of His [1] will [2] in all wisdom and ° spiritual ° understanding;
10 ° That ye might walk ° worthy of the [3] Lord [6] unto all ° pleasing, ° being fruitful [2] in every good work, and increasing ° in the [9] knowledge of [1] God;
11 ° Strengthened ° with all ° might, ° according to ° His glorious power, [6] unto all patience and longsuffering ° with joyfulness;

B^1 C 12 [3] Giving thanks [2] unto the [2] Father, Which ° hath ° made us meet ° to be partakers of the ° inheritance of the [2] saints [2] in ° light:

1. 1 apostle. Ap. 189. Cp. 2 Cor. 1. 1.
Jesus Christ. The texts read Christ Jesus. Ap. 98. XII.
by. Ap. 104. v. 1.
will. Ap. 102. 2.
God. Ap. 98. I. i. 1.
2 saints. See Acts 9. 13.
faithful. Ap. 150. III. in. Ap. 104. viii.
Christ. Ap. 98. IX.
at = in, as above.
Grace. Ap. 184. I. 1. unto = to.
from. Ap. 104. iv.
Father. Ap. 98. III.
and, &c. Omit, with most of the texts.
3 give thanks. See Acts 27. 35.
and. The texts omit.
the Father. See John 1. 14.
Lord. Ap. 98. VI. i. β. 2. A.
Jesus Christ. Ap. 98. XI.
praying. Ap. 134. I. 2.
for. Ap. 104. xiii. 1.
4 Since we = Having.
faith. Ap. 150. II. 1.
Christ Jesus. Ap. 98. XII.
love. Ap. 135. II. 1. to. Ap. 104. vi.
5 For. Ap. 104. v. 2.
laid up = stored away. Gr. *apokeimai*. Only here, Luke 19. 20. 2 Tim. 4. 8. Heb. 9. 27.
heaven = the heavens. See Matt. 6. 9, 10.
heard before. Gr. *proakouō*. Only here.
word. Ap. 121. 10. gospel. Ap. 140.
6 is come. Gr. *pareimi*, whence *parousia*.
unto. Ap. 104. vi.
world. Ap. 129. 1.
bringeth forth fruit. See Rom. 7. 4. The texts add "and increasing".
also in you = in you also.
since = from. Ap. 104. iv.
knew. Ap. 132. I. iii.
7 also. Omit.
of. Ap. 104. iv.
Epaphras. See 4. 12. Philem. 23.
dear. Ap. 135. III.
fellowservant = fellow-slave. Gr. *sundoulos*. Occ. here, 4. 7: five times in Matt., and thrice in Rev. See Ap. 190. I. 2.
for. Ap. 104. xvii. 1. minister. Ap. 190. I. 1. **8** also, &c. = declared also. declared. See 1 Cor. 1. 11. spirit. I. e. the product of the new nature. Ap. 101. II. 5.

1. 9—2. 7 (**C**, p. 1780). PAUL'S SOLICITUDE. (*Repeated Alternation.*)

C | A^1 | 1. 9-11. Solicitude as to their faith and walk.
B^1 | 1. 12-22. Christ the Head of the body.
A^2 | 1. 23-25. Solicitude as to continuing in the faith.
B^2 | 1. 26, 27. The faith stated. The Mystery declared.
A^3 | 1. 28—2. 2-. Solicitude as to their growth and assurance.
B^3 | 2. -2, 3. The Mystery acknowledged.
A^4 | 2. 4-7. Solicitude as to their stablishment in the faith.

9 For this cause = On account of (Ap. 104. v. 2) this (i. e. their faith and love). not. Ap. 105. I. desire. Ap. 134. I. 4. that = in order that. Gr. *hina*. filled. Ap. 125. 7. knowledge. Ap. 132. II. ii. spiritual. See 1 Cor. 12. 1. understanding. See 1 Cor. 1. 19. Ap. 132. II. iii. **10** That ye might = To. worthy = worthily. pleasing. Gr. *areskeia*. Only here. being fruitful = fruit-bearing (*v* 6). in. Ap. 104. vi. The texts read "by" (dative). **11** Strengthened. Gr. *dunamoō*. Only here. Cp. Ap. 172. 1. with. Ap. 104. viii. might. Ap. 172. 1. according to. Ap. 104. x. 2. His glorious power. Lit. the might (Ap. 172. 2) of His glory. See Eph. 1. 19. with. Ap. 104. xi. 1.

1. 12-22 [For Structure see next page].

12 hath. Omit. made, &c. See 2 Cor. 3. 6. to be partakers = for (Ap. 104. vi) the share. inheritance = lot. Gr. *klēros*. light = the light. Ap. 130. 1.

13 Who °hath °delivered us °from the °power of °darkness, and °hath °translated *us* °into the °kingdom of °His dear Son;
14 [2]In Whom we have °redemption °through His blood, *even* the °forgiveness of °sins:

D a 15 Who is the °image of the °invisible [1]God, the °Firstborn of °every creature:

b 16 °For °by Him were all things created, that are [2]in [5]heaven, and that are °in °earth, °visible and [15]invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or °dominions, or principalities, or [13]powers: all things were created [1]by Him, and °for Him:

E 17 And He °is °before all things, and [16–]by Him all things °consist.

E 18 And He [17]is the °Head of the body, the °church: Who is the °beginning, the [15]Firstborn °from the dead;

D a [9]that [2]in all *things* He might °have the pre-eminence.

b 19 [16]For it pleased °*the Father* that [2]in Him should °all fulness °dwell;
20 And, °having made peace °through the blood of His cross, [1]by Him to °reconcile all things [6]unto Himself; [1]by Him, *I say*, whether *they be* things [–16]in [16]earth, or things [2]in [5]heaven.

C 21 And you, that were sometime °alienated and enemies in *your* mind [16–]by °wicked works, yet now °hath He [20]reconciled
22 [2]In the body of His flesh [20]through death, to °present you holy and °unblameable and °unreproveable in His sight:

A² 23 °If ye °continue in the [4]faith °grounded and °settled, and *be* °not °moved away [2]from the °hope of the °gospel, which ye °have heard, *and* which was °preached °to [15]every creature which is °under °heaven; whereof I Paul °am made a [7]minister;
24 Who now rejoice [2]in my °sufferings [7]for you, and °fill up °that which is behind of the °afflictions of °Christ [2]in my flesh °for His body's sake, which is the [18]church:
25 Whereof I [23]am made a [7]minister, [11]according to the °dispensation of [1]God which °is given to me [16]for you, to °fulfil the °word of [1]God;

B² 26 *Even* the °mystery which hath been °hid [2]from °ages and [2]from generations, but now is °made manifest to His [2]saints,
27 To whom [1]God °would make known what *is* the °riches of °the glory of this [26]mystery °among the Gentiles, which is [24]Christ °in you, the hope of °glory:

A³ 28 Whom we °preach, °warning every °man, and teaching every °man [2]in all wisdom;

1. 12–22 (B¹, p. 1781). CHRIST THE HEAD OF THE BODY. (*Introversion and Alternation.*)

B¹ | C | 12–14. Gentiles made meet.
D | a | 15. Christ's essential glory.
b | 16. Reason. Creation of all things.
E | 17. Upholds all things.
E | 18–. The Head of the body.
D | *a* | –18. Christ's acquired glory.
b | 19, 20. Reason. Reconciliation of all things.
C | 21, 22. Gentiles reconciled and presented perfect.

13 hath. Omit.
delivered = rescued. See Matt. 6. 13. Rom. 7. 24.
from. Ap. 104. vii. power. Ap. 172. 5.
darkness = the darkness. See Luke 22. 53. Eph. 6. 12.
translated. See Acts 13. 22.
into. Ap. 104. vi. kingdom. Ap. 112. 5.
His dear Son = the Son (Ap. 108. iii) of His love (Ap. 135. II. 1).
14 redemption. See Rom. 3. 24.
through His blood. All the texts omit.
forgiveness. Cp. Eph. 1. 7.
sins. Ap. 128. I. ii. 1.
15 image. Cp. Rom. 8. 29.
invisible. See Rom. 1. 20.
Firstborn. See Rom. 1. 23; 8. 29.
every creature = all creation.
16 For = Because.
by. Ap. 104. viii. in. Ap. 104. ix. 1.
earth. Ap. 129. 4.
visible. Gr. *horatos*. Only here.
dominions, &c. See Eph. 1. 21.
for. Ap. 104. vi.
17 is. Emph. before. Ap. 104. xiv.
consist = cohere, or hold together. Cp. Heb. 1. 3.
18 Head. See Eph. 1. 22, 23. church. Ap. 186.
beginning. See Prov. 8. 22–30.
from the dead. Ap. 139. 4.
have, &c. = become the pre-eminent One. Gr. *prōteuō*. Only here.
19 Instead of "*the Father*" supply the ellipsis with "*God*".
all fulness = all the fulness. Gr. *plērōma*. See Eph. 1. 23; 3. 19. dwell. See Acts 2. 5.
20 having made peace. Gr. *eirēnopoieō*. Only here. The noun Matt. 5. 9.
through. Ap. 104. v. 1.
reconcile. See Eph. 2. 16, and Ap. 196. 3. d.
21 alienated. See Eph. 2. 12.
wicked. Ap. 128. III. 1. hath. Omit.
22 present. See 1 Cor. 8. 8.
unblameable. See Eph. 1. 4.
unreproveable = unimpeachable. See 1 Cor. 1. 8.
23 If = If (Ap. 118. 2. a) at least.
continue. See Acts 10. 48.
grounded. See Eph. 3. 17.
settled. Gr. *hedraios*. See 1 Cor. 7. 37.
not. Ap. 105. II.
moved away. Gr. *metakineō*. Only here.
hope of the gospel. I. e. the return of the Lord. Cp. Tit. 2. 13.
gospel. Ap. 140. have. Omit.
preached. Ap. 121. 1. to. Ap. 104. viii.
under. Ap. 104. xviii. 2.
heaven = the heaven. See Matt. 6. 9, 10.
am made. Lit. became. Cp. "ordained" (same Gr. word) Acts 1. 22.

24 sufferings. Cp. Rom. 8. 18. 2 Cor. 1. 5. fill up. Gr. *antanaplēroō*. Only here. that, &c. = that which is lacking. Cp. 1 Cor. 16. 17. afflictions. See Acts 7. 10. Christ: i. e. the tribulations of the members of the body of which He is the Head. for . . . sake = for, as *v.* 7. **25** dispensation. See 1 Cor. 9. 17 and cp. Eph. 3. 2. is = was. fulfil. Same as "fill", *v.* 9. word. Ap. 121. 10.
26 mystery. Ap. 193, and cp. Rom. 16. 25. hid. See 1 Cor. 2. 7, and cp. Eph. 3. 9. ages. App. 129. 2 and 151. II. A. i. 1. made manifest. Ap. 106. I. v. **27** would = desired to. Ap. 102. 1. riches. See Eph. 1. 7. the glory. See p. 1511. among. Ap. 104. viii. 2. in = among, as above. glory = the glory. **28** preach. Ap. 121. 5. warning = admonishing. Gr. *noutheteō*. Cp. 3. 16. man. Ap. 123. 1.

[9] that we may [22] present every °man °perfect [2] in [2] Christ °Jesus:
29 °Whereunto °I also labour, °striving [11] according to His °working, which °worketh [2] in me °mightily.

2 For I °would that ye °knew what great °conflict I have °for you, and *for* them °at Laodicea, and *for* as many as have °not °seen my face °in the flesh;
2 °That their hearts might be °comforted, being °knit together [1] in °love, and °unto all °riches of the °full assurance of °understanding,
B3 °to the °acknowledgement of the °mystery of °God, °and of the Father, and of °Christ,
3 [1] In Whom are °hid all the treasures of wisdom and °knowledge.
A4 4 And this I say, °lest any man should °beguile you °with °enticing words.
5 For °though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I °with you in the °spirit, joying and °beholding your °order, and the °stedfastness of your °faith °in [2] Christ.
6 As ye have therefore received °Christ Jesus the °Lord, *so* walk ye [1] in Him;
7 °Rooted and °built up [1] in Him, and °stablished °in the [5] faith, as ye have been taught, abounding °therein [4] with thanksgiving.
D c 8 °Beware °lest °any man °spoil you °through °philosophy and vain deceit, °after the tradition of °men, °after the °rudiments of the °world, and [1] not °after [2] Christ:
d 9 °For [1] in Him °dwelleth all the °fulness of the °Godhead °bodily.
10 And ye are °complete [1] in Him, °Which is the head of all °principality and °power:
e 11 [1] In Whom °also ye °are circumcised with the circumcision °made without hands, [1] in °putting off the body °of the sins of the flesh, °by the circumcision of [2] Christ:
12 °Buried with Him [1] in °baptism, °wherein °also ye are risen with *Him* [8] through the [5] faith of the °operation of [2] God Who °hath °raised Him °from the dead.
13 And you, °being dead [1] in your °sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath He °quickened together [5] with °Him, having °forgiven you all °trespasses;

man. Ap. 123. 1.
perfect. Ap. 125. 1.
Jesus. The texts omit.
29 Whereunto = Unto (Ap. 104. vi) which.
I also labour = I labour also.
striving. See Luke 13. 24.
working. See Eph. 1. 19.
worketh. See Eph. 1. 11.
mightily = by (Gr. *en*) might (Ap. 172. 1).

2. 1 would = desire. Ap. 102. 1.
knew. Ap. 132. I. i.
conflict. See Phil. 1. 30.
for. Ap. 104. xiii. 1, but the texts read xvii. 1.
at. Ap. 104. viii.
not. Ap. 105. I. seen. Ap. 133. I. 8.
in. Ap. 104. viii.
2 That. Gr. *hina*, in order that.
comforted. Ap. 134. I. 6.
knit together. See Acts 9. 22.
love. Ap. 135. II. 1.
unto. Ap. 104. vi.
riches. See 1. 27.
full assurance. Gr. *plērophoria*. Here, 1 Thess. 1. 5. Heb. 6. 11; 10. 22.
understanding. Ap. 132. II. iii.
to = unto, as above; or, with a view to.
acknowledgement. Ap. 132. II. ii.
mystery. Ap. 193.
God. Ap. 98. I. i. 1.
and, &c. The texts read "*even* Christ".
Christ. Ap. 98. IX.
3 hid. Gr. *apokruphos*. Only here, Mark 4. 22. Luke 8. 17.
knowledge. Ap. 132. II. i.
4 lest, &c. = in order that (Gr. *hina*) no one (Gr. *mēdeis*).
beguile = deceive. Gr. *paralogizomai*. Here and Jas. 1. 22.
with. Ap. 104. viii.
enticing words. Gr. *pithanologia*. Only here.
5 though = even if (Ap. 118. 2. a).
with. Ap. 104. xvi.
spirit. Ap. 101. II. 8.
beholding. Ap. 133. I. 5.
order. See 1 Cor. 14. 40.
stedfastness. Gr. *stereōma*. Only here.
faith. Ap. 150. II. 1.
in = unto. Ap. 104. vi.
6 Christ Jesus. Ap. 98. XII.
Lord. Ap. 98. VI. i. β. 2. A. For this full title see Rom. 6. 23.
7 Rooted. See Eph. 3. 17.
built up. See Acts 20. 32, and cp. Eph. 2. 20.
stablished. See Rom. 15. 8 (confirm).
in = by.
therein = in (Ap. 104. viii) it.

2. 8—23 (**D**, p. 1780). DOCTRINAL CORRECTION. (*Extended Alternation.*)

D | c | 2. 8. Caution. Let no man deceive you.
d | 2. 9, 10. Christ the Head, and the body complete in Him.
e | 2. 11–15. Ordinances therefore done away in Christ.
c | 2. 16–18. Caution. Let no man judge you.
d | 2. 19. Christ the Head, and the body nourished by Him.
e | 2. 20–23. Ordinances therefore done away in Christ.

8 Beware = See (Ap. 133. I. 5) to it. lest. Ap. 105. II. any man. Ap. 123. 3. spoil. Gr. *sulagōgeō*. Only here. through. Ap. 104. v. 1. philosophy. Gr. *philosophia*. Only here. after. Ap. 104. x. 2. men. Ap. 123. 1. rudiments. See Gal. 4. 3. world. Ap. 129. 1. **9** For = Because. dwelleth. See 1. 19. fulness. See 1. 19. Godhead. Ap. 98. I. ii. 1. bodily. Gr. *sōmatikōs*. Only here. The adj. in Luke 3. 22. 1 Tim. 4. 8. **10** complete. See 1. 9. Which = Who. principality. Ap. 172. 6. power. Ap. 172. 5. **11** also. Should follow "circumcised". are = were. made without hands. See 2 Cor. 5. 1. putting off. Gr. *apekdusis*. Only here. of the sins. Omit. by. Ap. 104. viii. **12** Buried with. See Rom. 6. 4. baptism. Ap. 115. II. i. 1. I. e. His baptism unto death. wherein = in (Ap. 104. viii) Whom. also, &c. = ye were raised (Ap. 178. I. 8) also, and cp. 3. 1 and Eph. 2. 6. operation. Ap. 172. 4. hath. Omit. raised. Ap. 178. I. 4. from, &c. Ap. 139. 4. **13** being. I. e. at that time. sins. Ap. 128. I. ii. 3. quickened together = made alive together. See Eph. 2. 5. Him. Texts add, "even you". forgiven = graciously forgiven. Ap. 184. II. 1. trespasses. Same as "sins", above.

14 °Blotting out the °handwriting of °ordinances that was °against us, which was °contrary to us, and took it °out of the °way, °nailing it to ° His cross;
15 *And* having °spoiled [10]principalities and [10]powers, He °made a shew of them °openly, °triumphing over them [1]in °it.

c 16 Let °no °man therefore °judge you [1]in °meat, or [1]in drink, or [1]in °respect of an °holyday, or of the °new moon, or of the °sabbath *days:*
17 Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body *is* of [2]Christ.
18 Let °no man °beguile you of your reward °in a voluntary °humility and °worshipping of angels, °intruding into those things which he hath °not °seen, vainly °puffed up °by °his fleshly mind,

d 19 And [1]not °holding the Head, °from °Which all the body °by °joints and °bands °having nourishment ministered, and [2]knit together, increaseth with the °increase of [2]God.

e 20 Wherefore °if ye °be dead [5]with [2]Christ °from the [8]rudiments of the [8]world, why, as though living [1]in the [8]world, are ye °subject to ordinances,
21 (Touch [16]not; taste °not; °handle °not;
22 Which all are °to perish with the °using;) [8]after the °commandments and °doctrines of [8]men?
23 °Which things °have indeed a °shew of wisdom [1]in °will worship and [18]humility, and °neglecting of the body; [1]not [1]in any °honour °to the °satisfying of the flesh.

D f 3 °If ye then °be risen with °Christ, seek those °things which are above, where °Christ sitteth °on the right hand of °God.
2 °Set your affection °on [1]things above, °not on things °on the °earth.
3 For ye °are dead, and your °life °is °hid °with [1]Christ °in [1]God.
4 When [1]Christ, *Who is* our [3]life, shall °appear, then shall ye also °appear [3]with Him [3]in °glory.
5 °Mortify therefore your members which are °upon the [2]earth; fornication, uncleanness,

14 Blotting out=Having blotted out. See Acts 3. 19. **handwriting.** Gr. *cheirographon.* Only here. **ordinances.** See Acts 16. 4. **against.** Ap. 104. x. 1. **contrary.** Gr. *hupenantios.* Only here and Heb. 10. 27. **out of.** Ap. 104. vii. **way**=midst. **nailing**=having nailed. Gr. *prosēloō.* Only here. **His.** Read "the".
15 spoiled=put off. Gr. *apekduomai.* Only here and 3. 9. **made a shew of.** Gr. *deigmatizō.* Only here. The verb *paradeigmatizō*, to expose to public infamy, occ. Matt. 1. 19 and Heb. 6. 6. **openly.** See Mark 8. 32. **triumphing over.** Cp. 2 Cor. 2. 14. **it.** I. e. the cross.
16 no. Ap. 105. II. **man.** Ap. 123. 1. **judge.** Ap. 122. 1. **meat, &c.**=eating and drinking. **respect.** Lit. part, i. e. taking part. **holyday**=feast. See Lev. 23. **new moon.** See 1 Chron. 23. 31. **sabbath** *days*=sabbaths. See Lev. 23. 3, 7, 8, 21, 24, 27–32, 35, 36, 38, 39. John 20. 1.
18 no man. Gr. *mēdeis.* **beguile you of your reward**=defraud you of your prize. Gr. *katabrabeuō.* Only here. **in, &c.** Lit. willing (Ap. 102. 1) in (Ap. 104. viii), i. e. being a devotee to. **humility.** See Acts 20. 19. **worshipping.** See Acts 26. 5 (religion). **intruding into**=investigating. Gr. *embateuō.* Only here. **not.** Most texts omit. **seen.** Ap. 133. I. 8. **puffed up.** See 1 Cor. 4. 6. **by.** Ap. 104. xviii. 1. **his fleshly mind**=the mind of his flesh, i. e. the old Adam nature.
19 holding=holding fast. The central theme of the Epistle is the necessity of holding fast to the Head. **from.** Ap. 104. vii. **Which**=Whom. **by.** Ap. 104. v. 1. **joints.** See Eph. 4. 16. **bands.** See Acts 8. 23 (bond). **having nourishment ministered.** See 2 Cor. 9. 10. **increase.** See Eph. 4. 16.
20 if. Ap. 118. 2. a. **be dead**=died. **from.** Ap. 104. iv. **subject, &c.** Mid. of Gr. *dogmatizō*, which means to impose dogmas upon one. Supply *Ellipsis* with "*such as*".

21 not. Gr. *mēde.* **handle.** Gr. *thinganō.* Only here, Heb. 11. 28; 12. 20. **22 to perish**=for (Ap. 104. vi) corruption. See Rom. 8. 21. **using.** Gr. *apochrēsis.* Only here. **commandments.** Gr. *entalma.* Only here, Matt. 15. 9. Mark 7. 7. **doctrines.** The doctrines of men and demons are various, and therefore plural. See Matt. 15. 9. Mark 7. 7. 1 Tim. 4. 1; but the Divine teaching is one—1 Tim. 1. 10; 4. 6, 13, 16, &c. **23 Which**=Which order of. **have**=is having. **shew**=reputation. Ap. 121. 10. **will worship.** Gr. *ethelothrēskeia*, i. e. self-imposed worship. Only here. **neglecting**=not sparing. Gr. *apheidia.* Only here. **honour**=value. **to.** Ap. 104. xv. 3. **satisfying.** Gr. *plēsmonē.* Only here. Ascetic observances are of no value as remedies against the old nature.

3. 1—4. 1 (*D*, p. 1780). DOCTRINAL CORRECTION, AS HAVING RISEN WITH CHRIST.
(*Extended Alternation.*)

D | f | 3. 1–9. Our calling, as risen with Christ; the rule of the old man put off.
g | 3. 10, 11. The new man put on.
h | 3. 12–14. The effects seen in the exercise of love, the bond of perfectness.
f | 3. 15. Our calling in the one body; the rule of God's peace begun.
g | 3. 16. The word of Christ dwelling within.
h | 3. 17—4. 1. The effects seen in the exercise of love, as the bond of all domestic relations.

3. 1 If. Ap. 118. 2. a. **be risen with**=were raised with. Ap. 178. I. 8. **Christ.** Ap. 98. IX. **things . . . above.** See Phil. 3. 13, 14. **on.** Ap. 104. viii. **God.** Ap. 98. I. i. 1. **2 Set your affection on**=Mind. Gr. *phroneō.* See Rom. 8. 5. **not.** Ap. 105. II. **on.** Ap. 104. ix. 1. **earth.** Ap. 129. 4. **3 are dead**=died. **life.** Ap. 170. 1. **is**=has been. **hid.** I. e. laid up (in store). Cp. Matt. 13. 44. **with.** Ap. 104. xvi. **in.** Ap. 104. viii. **4 appear**=be manifested. Ap. 106. I. v. **glory.** See p. 1511. **5 Mortify**=Put to death. See Rom. 4. 19; 6. 6–11. **upon.** Ap. 104. ix. 1.

°inordinate affection, °evil °concupiscence, and °covetousness, which is idolatry:
6 °For which things' sake the °wrath of [1]God cometh °on the °children of disobedience;
7 [3]In the which ye also walked some time, when ye °lived [3]in them.
8 But now ye also °put off all these; °anger, °wrath, °malice, blasphemy, °filthy communication °out of your mouth.
9 Lie [2]not °one °to another, °seeing that ye have °put off °the old °man [3]with his °deeds;
g 10 And °have °put on the °new *man*, which is °renewed °in °knowledge °after the °image of Him That created him:
11 Where there is °neither Greek nor °Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, °Barbarian, °Scythian, °bond *nor* free: but [1]Christ *is* °all, and [3]in all.
h 12 [10]Put on therefore, as the elect of [1]God, holy and °beloved, bowels of °mercies, °kindness, °humbleness of mind, °meekness, long-suffering;
13 °Forbearing one another, and °forgiving one another, °if °any man have a °quarrel °against °any; even as °Christ °forgave you, so °also *do* ye.
14 And °above all these things *put on* °charity, which is °the °bond of °perfectness.
f 15 And let the peace of °God °rule [3]in your hearts, [9]to the which °also ye are called [3]in one body; and be ye °thankful.
g 16 Let the °word of [1]Christ °dwell [3]in you °richly [3]in all wisdom; teaching and °admonishing one another in psalms and °hymns and °spiritual °songs, °singing °with °grace [3]in your hearts to °the Lord.
h 17 And whatsoever ye do [3]in [16]word or °deed, *do* all [3]in the °name of the °Lord °Jesus, °giving thanks to [1]God °and the °Father °by Him.
18 Wives, °submit yourselves unto your own °husbands, as it is °fit [3]in the [17]Lord.
19 [18]Husbands, [12]love *your* wives, and °be [2]not bitter [13]against them.
20 °Children, obey *your* parents °in all things, for this is °well pleasing °unto the [17]Lord.
21 Fathers, °provoke [2]not your [20]children *to anger*, °lest they °be discouraged.
22 °Servants, obey [20]in all things *your* °masters °according to the flesh; [2]not [16]with °eyeservice, as menpleasers; but [3]in °singleness of heart, fearing °God:
23 And whatsoever ye do, do *it* °heartily, as to the °Lord, and °not [20]unto [9]men;
24 °Knowing that °of the [17]Lord ye shall receive the °reward of the °inheritance: for ye °serve the [17]Lord [1]Christ.

inordinate affection = passion, or lust. See Rom. 1. 26.
evil. Ap. 128. III. 2.
concupiscence = desire. See John 8. 44.
covetousness. See Rom. 1. 29, and Eph. 5. 5.
6 For . . . sake. Ap. 104. v. 2.
wrath. See Rom. 1. 18.
on. Ap. 104. ix. 3.
children. Ap. 108. iii. See Eph. 2. 2.
7 lived. See Ap. 170. 1.
8 put off. See Eph. 4. 22.
anger. Same as "wrath", *v.* 6.
wrath. Gr. *thumos.* See Rom. 2. 8.
malice. Ap. 128. II. 2.
filthy communication. Gr. *aischrologia.* Only here.
out of. Ap. 104. vii.
9 one to another = to (Ap. 104. vi) one another.
seeing, &c. = having. **put off.** See 2. 15.
the old, &c. See Rom. 6. 6.
man. Ap. 123. 1.
deeds = practices. Cp. Rom. 8. 13.
10 have = having.
put on. See Rom. 13. 12, 14.
new. Gr. *neos.* See Matt. 9. 17.
renewed. See 2 Cor. 4. 16. **in.** Ap. 104. vi.
knowledge. Ap. 132. II. ii.
after. Ap. 104. x. 2.
image = pattern. See 1. 15.
11 neither. Ap. 105. I.
Jew, &c. Cp. Gal. 3. 28.
Barbarian. See Acts 28. 2.
Scythian. Regarded by the ancients as the lowest type of barbarians.
bond. Ap. 190. I. 2.
all, &c. See Eph. 1. 23.
12 beloved. Ap. 135. I. 1.
mercies. See Rom. 12. 1.
kindness. Ap. 184. III. a.
humbleness, &c. See 2. 18.
meekness. See Eph. 4. 2.
13 Forbearing. See Eph. 4. 2.
forgiving. See 2. 13.
if. Ap. 118. 1. b.
any man, any. Ap. 123. 3.
quarrel = grievance. Gr. *momphē.* Only here.
against. Ap. 104. xv. 3.
Christ. Most texts read "the Lord".
also *do* ye = do ye also.
14 above. Ap. 104. ix. 2.
charity = the love. Ap. 135. II. 1.
the = a. **bond.** See 2. 19.
perfectness. Gr. *teleiotēs.* Only here and Heb. 6. 1. See Ap. 125. 1.
15 God. The texts read "Christ".
rule. Lit. be umpire. Gr. *brabeuō.* Only here. Cp. 2. 18.
also, &c. = ye were called also.
thankful. Gr. *eucharistos.* Only here.
16 word. Ap. 121. 10.
dwell. See Rom. 8. 11.
richly. Gr. *plousiōs.* Only here, 1 Tim. 6. 17. Tit. 3. 6. 2 Pet. 1. 11.
admonishing. See 1. 28, and Acts 20. 31.
hymns. See Eph. 5. 19.
spiritual. See 1 Cor. 12. 1.
songs. See Eph. 5. 19.
singing. See Eph. 5. 19. **with.** Ap. 104. viii.
grace. See 1. 2. Ap. 184. I. 1. **the Lord.** The texts read "God". **17 deed** = in (Gr. *en*) work.
name. See Acts 2. 21. **Lord.** Ap. 98. VI. i. *β.* 2. B. **Jesus.** Ap. 98. X. **giving thanks.** See Acts 27. 35. **and.** Omit. **Father.** Ap. 98. III. **by.** Ap. 104. v. 1. **18 submit.** See Eph. 5. 22.
husbands. Ap. 123. 2. **fit.** See Eph. 5. 4. **19 be . . . bitter.** Gr. *pikrainō.* Only here, Rev. 8. 11; 10. 9, 10. **20 Children.** Ap. 108. i. **in** = according to. Ap. 104. x. 2. **well pleasing.** See Rom. 12. 1. **unto** = to, but the texts read "in" (Gr. *en*). **21 provoke.** See 2 Cor. 9. 2. **lest** = in order that (Gr. *hina*) . . . not (Ap. 105. II). **be discouraged** = have their spirit broken. Gr. *athumeō.* Only here. **22 Servants.** Ap. 190. I. 2. **masters.** Ap. 98. VI. i. *α.* 4. A. **according to.** Ap. 104. x. 2. **eyeservice . . . menpleasers.** See Eph. 6. 6. **singleness.** See Eph. 6. 5. **God.** The texts read "the Lord". **23 heartily.** Gr. *ek psuchēs.* See Ap. 110. V. 4. **Lord.** Ap. 98. VI. i. *β.* 2. A. **not** Ap. 105. I. **24 Knowing.** Ap. 132. I. i. **of.** Ap. 104. iv. **reward** = recompense. Gr. *antapodosis.* Only here. **inheritance.** See Eph. 1. 14. **serve.** Ap. 190. III. 2.

25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive °for the wrong which he hath done: and there is °no °respect of persons.

4 °Masters, give °unto *your* °servants that which is °just and equal; °knowing that ye also have a °Master °in °heaven.

C 2 °Continue in °prayer, and watch [1]in °the same °with °thanksgiving;
3 Withal °praying °also °for us, °that °God would open °unto us a °door of °utterance, to °speak the °mystery of °Christ, °for which I °am also in bonds;
4 [3]That I may °make it °manifest, as I ought to [3]speak.
5 Walk [1]in wisdom °toward them that are °without, °redeeming the time.
6 Let your °speech *be* alway [2]with °grace, °seasoned °with salt, that ye may [1]know how ye ought to °answer every man.

B 7 °All my state shall Tychicus °declare [1]unto you, °*who is* a °beloved brother, and °a °faithful °minister and fellowservant [1]in the °Lord:
8 Whom I °have °sent °unto you °for the same purpose, °that he might °know °your estate, and °comfort your hearts;
9 °With Onesimus, °a [7]faithful and [7]beloved brother, who is *one* °of you. They shall °make known [1]unto you all things °which *are done* here.

A 10 °Aristarchus my fellowprisoner saluteth you, and °Marcus, °sister's son to °Barnabas, (°touching whom ye received commandments: °if he come [8]unto you, receive him;)
11 And °Jesus, which is called °Justus, who are [9]of the circumcision. These only *are my* °fellowworkers °unto the °kingdom of [3]God, which have °been a °comfort [1]unto me.
12 °Epaphras, who is *one* [9]of you, a °servant of °Christ, saluteth you, always °labouring fervently °for you [1]in °prayers, [3]that ye may stand °perfect and °complete [1]in all the °will of [3]God.
13 For I °bear him record, that he hath a great °zeal [12]for you, and them *that are* [1]in Laodicea, and them [1]in Hierapolis.
14 Luke, the [7]beloved physician, and °Demas, greet you.
15 Salute the brethren which are [1]in Laodicea, and °Nymphas, and the °church which is °in his house.
16 And when this epistle is read °among you, cause [3]that it be read also [1]in the [15]church of the Laodiceans; and [3]that ye likewise read the *epistle* °from Laodicea.
17 And say to Archippus, °"Take heed to the °ministry which thou hast received [1]in the [7]Lord, [3]that thou °fulfil it."
18 The salutation by °the hand of me Paul. Remember my °bonds. [6]Grace *be* °with you. °Amen.

25 for the wrong, &c. = the wrong that he wronged. See Gal. 6. 7. no. Ap. 105. I. respect, &c. See Rom. 2. 11.

4. 1 Masters. See 3. 22. unto = to. servants. See 3. 22. just. Ap. 191. 1. knowing. Ap. 132. I. i. in. Ap. 104. viii. heaven. See Matt. 6. 9, 10.
2 Continue. See Rom. 12. 12. prayer. Ap. 134. II. 2. the same = it. with. Ap. 104. viii. thanksgiving. See 2. 7.
3 praying. Ap. 134. I. 2. also for us = for us also. for. Ap. 104. xiii. 1. that = in order that. Gr. *hina*. God. Ap. 98. I. i. 1. unto = to. door. See 1 Cor. 16. 9. utterance. Ap. 121. 10. speak. Ap. 121. 7. mystery. Ap. 193. Christ. Ap. 98. IX. for. Ap. 104. v. 2. am also, &c. = have been bound also. Cp. Acts 22. 21, 22.
4 make . . . manifest. Ap. 106. I. v. Cp. Eph. 6. 20.
5 toward. Ap. 104. xv. 3. without. See 1 Cor. 5. 12. redeeming. See Eph. 5. 16.
6 speech. Gr. *logos*. Ap. 121. 10. grace. Ap. 184. I. 1. seasoned. Gr. *artuō*. Only here, Mark 9. 50. Luke 14. 34. with. No prep. Dat. case. answer. Gr. *apokrinomai*. Ap. 122. 3.
7 All my state. Lit. all things according to (Gr. *kata*. Ap. 104. x. 2) me. declare = make known. Gr. *gnōrizō*. See Phil. 1. 22. *who is* a = the. beloved. Gr. *agapētos*. Ap. 135. III. a. Omit. faithful. Gr. *pistos*. Ap. 150. III. minister. Gr. *diakonos*. Ap. 190. I. 1. Lord. Ap. 98. VI. i. *β*. 2. B.
8 have. Omit. sent. Gr. *pempō*. Ap. 174. 4. unto. Gr. *pros*. Ap. 104. xv. 3. for. Gr. *eis*. Ap. 104. vi. that . . . your. The texts read "that ye may know our". that = in order that. Gr. *hina*. know. Gr. *ginōskō*. Ap. 132. I. ii. your estate. Lit. the things concerning (Gr. *peri*. Ap. 104. xiii. 1) you. Cp. *v.* 7. comfort. Gr. *parakaleō*. Ap. 134. I. 6.
9 With. Ap. 104. xvi. a = the. of. Ap. 104. vii. make known. Same as "declare", *v.* 7. which *are done*. Omit.
10 Aristarchus. See Acts 19. 29. Marcus. See Acts 12. 12. sister's son = cousin. Gr. *anepsios*. Only here. Barnabas. See Acts 4. 36. touching. Ap. 104. xiii. 1. if. Gr. *ean*. Ap. 118. 1. b.
11 Jesus. Cp. Acts 7. 45. Justus. See Acts 18. 7. fellowworkers. Gr. *sunergos*. See 1 Cor. 3. 9. unto. Gr. *eis*. Ap. 104. vi. kingdom. See Ap. 112. 2. been = become. comfort. Gr. *parēgoria*. Only here.

12 Epaphras. See 1. 7. servant. Gr. *doulos*. Ap. 190. I. 2. Christ. The texts add "Jesus". labouring fervently = striving, 1. 29. for. Gr. *huper*. Ap. 104. xvii. 1. prayers. Gr. *proseuchē*. Ap. 134. II. 2. perfect. Gr. *teleios*. Ap. 125. 1. complete. Gr. *plēroō*. Ap. 125. 7. The texts read "*plērophoreō*", as in Rom. 4. 21. will. Gr. *thelēma*. Ap. 102. 2. **13** bear . . . record. See 2 Cor. 8. 3. zeal. Gr. *zēlos*, but the texts read "*ponos*", labour. Cp. *v.* 12. **14** Demas. See 2 Tim. 4. 10. Philem. 24. **15** Nymphas. Not mentioned elsewhere. church. Ap. 186. in. Gr. *kata*. Ap. 104. x. 2. **16** among. Gr. *para*. Ap. 104. xii. 2. from. Gr. *ek*. Ap. 104. vii. **17** Take heed. Gr. *blepō*. Ap. 133. I. 5. ministry. Gr. *diakonia*. Ap. 190. II. 1. fulfil. Ap. 125. 7. **18** the hand, &c. = my hand of Paul. bonds. Cp. *v.* 3. with. Gr. *meta*. Ap. 104. xi. 1. Amen. Omit.